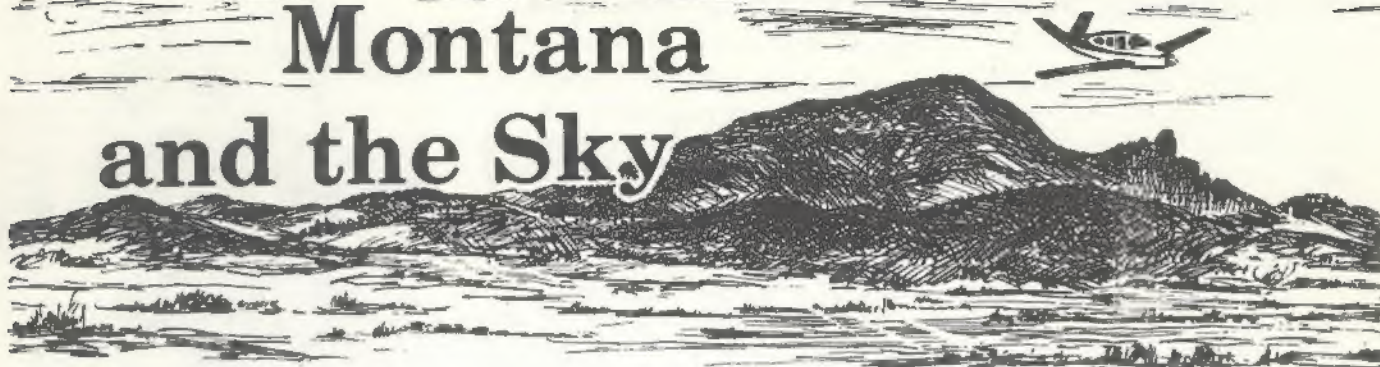


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MONTANA AERONAUTICS DIVISION

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1988 CONFERENCE READY TO BEGIN

Everything is pretty well in place for the 1988 Montana Aviation Conference being held in Billings February 17-20. The Conference will be held at the Billings Plaza Holiday Inn.

Forty-seven aviation firms from across the U.S. have rented 51 booth spaces for the trade show. These exhibits run the range of the industry from insurance to repair, avionics to chemical, airlines to art.

Concurrent sessions will also cover the broad spectrum of aviation interest and promise to be informative and entertaining. They will cover such topics as avionics, search and rescue, survival, aircraft handling techniques, soaring, airplane camping, Montana weather, medicine, accident prevention, insurance, history, military activity, flying in Canada, and flight instruction. A program is being planned for students which will outline career possibilities in aviation.

The Ag Operators Seminar will be held in conjunction with the Conference. So, too, will the Montana Aeronautics Division's Aircraft Mechanics Refresher Seminar.

The Conference will serve as the annual meeting for the Montana Aviation Trades Association and the Montana Pilots Association and the spring meeting for the Montana Airport Management Association. The other aviation organizations will hold business and/or board meetings during the Conference.

The FAA will conduct an "Availability Session." This will be chaired by Wayne Barlow, director of the Northwest Mountain Region. The Aeronautics Board will

combine their meeting with a listening session and invite participation by Conference attendees.

Dr. Jerald Cockrell, aviation psychologist and Director of Safety for MARKAIR, Anchorage, Alaska, will teach a "Flying Friend" seminar for non-pilots on Friday morning. Because of a conflict in his schedule, Dr. Cockrell will be unable to speak at the luncheon on Saturday. However, he will present an open session on Thursday evening, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The kick-off luncheon will begin at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 18. Speaker for this luncheon will be Robert L. Donahue, Associate Administrator for Airports, FAA, Washington, D.C. This luncheon will also

feature presentation of an AOPA presidential award by Dan Todd, Vice President for Government and Technical Affairs, AOPA.

Speaker at the Saturday luncheon will be Dan Todd. This luncheon will also focus on annual awards by Montana's aviation organizations.

Northwest Airlines has donated two round-trip airline tickets to anyplace they fly in the 48 contiguous states. These tickets will be given away at the Saturday luncheon. You must be present to win.

Headlining the banquet on Saturday evening will be Voyager team of Dick Rutan and Jeana Yeager with their multimedia presentation, "The Voyager: One World, One Flight!"

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Administrator's Column

U.S. Customs and Coast Guard to Shoot Down Suspect Airplanes????? WOW!! Can you believe this?? The National Drug Policy Board has actually proposed that the U.S. Customs and Coast Guard be authorized to shoot into aircraft suspected of possible drug smuggling. Can you imagine flying into the U.S. and, for some reason, not being able to communicate with ATC or the intercept Customs or Coast Guard airplane and, merely because they were not able to establish communications with you, they have reason to suspect that you may be hauling illegal drugs and, therefore, giving them justification to shoot you out of the sky? This has to be another example of irresponsible reactionary lunacy at its peak! We have voiced our vehement opposition to this proposal to U.S. Attorney General Edwin Meese and our Montana Congressional delegation.

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Aircraft Registration Due. I know you are probably getting tired of hearing about aircraft registration, but this will be the last opportunity I'll have to address the subject in this newsletter prior to the deadline date. I encourage every aircraft owner to get your registration taken care of prior to March 1, 1988. The new fee in lieu of taxes is so much more equitable than the old personal property taxes, plus you don't have to go through the hassle of going to the county assessor, the county treasurer, and then to the Aeronautics Division to get this taken care of any more. You only have to send your registration form and fee to the Aeronautics Division. **HOWEVER, THE PENALTY WE MUST ENFORCE FOR REGISTRATIONS AFTER MARCH 1 IS SEVERE—IT IS FIVE TIMES THE FEE PLUS THE FEE.** So please take care of this before the March 1 deadline.

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General Aviation Safety Improves. The National Transportation Safety Board just released their 1987 aviation safety statistics, and for the fifth straight year they show improvement. The report shows that there were 426 fatal accidents resulting in 788 deaths in 1987 and 469 fatal accidents resulting in 955 deaths in 1986. The fatal accident rate was 1.45 per 100,000 hours flown in 1987 compared with 1.60 per 100,000 hours flown in 1986. The commercial air taxi operators' record stayed about the same, showing 31 fatal accidents resulting in 68 deaths for 1987 and 32 fatal accidents resulting in 67 deaths in 1986. The fatal accident rate per 100,000 flying hours was 1.45 in 1987 and 1.60 in 1986. **HOWEVER,** the commuter airlines recorded their worst safety record of the 1980s, showing 10 fatal accidents resulting in 58 deaths for 1987 and only 2 fatal accidents resulting in 4 deaths in 1986. It is my opinion that we are seeing the results of continued pilot safety education programs, and I want to congratulate all of you who understand the need for and importance of continuously striving to improve your flying skills by taking part in flight safety clinics. It has always been my position that the FAA would be far better off to spend their money on flight safety education programs rather than on what appears to be their present priority of spending enormous amounts of money in the area of strong enforcement. The FAA Accident Prevention Program is, in my opinion, being "short changed" by receiving such an inequitable share of their money when this is where the strong emphasis needs to be placed. Montana doesn't even have an FAA Accident Prevention Specialist at the present time. I am hopeful that the FAA's Helena FSDO will be able to fill that vacant position soon, as the Aeronautics Division is so strapped for resources that we will not be able to meet this need alone.

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Skywest Airlines Adds Helena. We reported in the January issue of Montana and the Sky the proposed air service expansion plans announced by Skywest Airlines. Since then, Skywest Airlines has decided to include Helena by extending their Salt Lake City/Butte route. The service is planned to begin March 2, 1988.



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Conference To Feature Av Ed Symposium

The Montana Aeronautics Division is sponsoring an Aviation Education Symposium in conjunction with the Montana Aviation conference in Billings on February 19 and 20, 1988. The Symposium will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, February 19, in the Aspen Room at the Billings Plaza Holiday Inn.

The Symposium is designed to provide a broad overview of aviation/aerospace for undergraduates in education and for teachers who would like to become more knowledgeable.

Those attending the Symposium may receive one college credit from either Eastern Montana College or Rocky Mountain College. Those desiring to take the course for credit will be charged the normal extension course fee charged by the respective college. There will be no charge unless the Symposium is taken for credit.

The Symposium will run from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 19, and from 8:00 to 11:30 on Saturday, February

20. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Friday in the Aspen Room.

Noted speakers to be featured at the Symposium will include: Minot Parker, NASA Aerospace Education Specialist from the Ames Research Center; Noel Bullock, Regional Director, Aerospace Education, Rocky Mountain Region, USAF; Frank G. Mitchell, Beech Aircraft Corporation; Col. Howard J. Rice, Commander, Rocky Mountain Liaison Region, USAF, Lowry AFB, Colorado; JoAnn Eisenzimer, educator and Aerospace Teacher Workshop Director; Jerry Witmer, educator, NASA NEW MAST program participant; Don Clausen, Director of Special Projects, Office of Public Affairs, FAA, Washington, D.C.; Phil Woodruff, Aviation Education Specialist, FAA, Washington, D.C.; and a slide presentation by the American Society for Aerospace Education.

All educators and other interested persons are encouraged to attend this symposium.



Aircraft Registration Fee Schedule

The following fee schedule is used to determine registration fees to be charged on Montana aircraft. Remember, the deadline for registration is March 1, and the penalty is five times the fee plus the fee. Any questions regarding aircraft registration should be directed to Ray Austin at the Aeronautics Division, phone 444-2506.

	0-5 Years	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21-30 Years	31-40 Years
Single engine, fixed gear, 200 HP & under	300	175	100	50	25
Single engine, fixed gear, over 200 HP	500	250	150	75	50
Single engine, retractable gear, 200 HP & under	600	300	175	100	75
Single engine, retractable gear, over 200 HP	700	400	200	125	100
Multi-engine, piston	800	500	250	175	150
Helicopter, piston	700	450	225	150	125
Single engine jet helicopter, prop jet	1,500	700	450	300	175
Multi-engine jet helicopter, prop jet	2,000	1,000	600	400	200
Jet engine—no propeller	3,000	1,500	800	500	250

Glider, ultralight, gyrocopter, balloon, homebuilt aircraft, antiques or any aircraft over 40 years old—\$20.

CALENDAR

Feb. 17-21—1988 Montana Aviation Conference, Billings.

Feb. 18-20—Aviation Mechanics Refresher Seminar, Billings.

Feb. 19—Aeronautics Board Meeting/Listening Session, Aviation Conference, Billings.

Feb. 26-28—Flight Instructor Refresher Clinic, Helena.

March 18-20—Alberta Flying Farmer Convention, Medicine Hat Lodge, Medicine Hat, Alberta.

May 21—MFF President's Fly-In, Kummerfeldts, Nashua.

June 3-5—National Biplane Fly-In, Frank Phillips Field, Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

June 18—MFF Man and Woman of the Year Fly-In, Melville.

July 2—Fly-In/Air Show, Big Sky Airport, Ennis. Contact Tammy Yedinak at 682-7431 or Ed Totten at 682-7182.

July 3—IFF Queen's Fly-In, Mary Bogar, Opheim.

July 9-10—Big Sky International Air Show, Billings. Featuring Blue Angels, Bob Hoover, Eagles Aerobatic Team, Golden Knights.

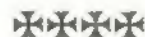
July 22-24—Family Fly-In Expo, West Yellowstone.

July 29-Aug. 5—EAA Convention, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Sept. 16-18—Mountain Search Pilot Clinic, Kalispell.

Oct. 7-9—Montana Flying Farmers Convention, Glasgow.

Important Deadline: Aircraft registration is due NO LATER than March 1. The law will be strictly enforced, and the penalty is severe—five times the fee plus the fee.



AT UNCONTROLLED AIRPORTS

- Broadcast your intentions
- Listen for other traffic
- Conform to a pattern
- Keep a sharp lookout

NATIONAL INSTRUCTOR CHIEF TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

Bernard A. Geier, executive director of the National Association of Flight Instructors, will conduct three concurrent sessions during the Montana Aviation Conference in Billings in February.

Geier retired from the FAA in 1985 after 30 years of government service. He began his aviation career in June 1942 as a mechanic's helper for Martin Aviation, a flight school conducting Civil Pilot Training at Silver Lake Airport, Baker, California. He soloed in a Piper J-3 on August 25, 1942. In late 1943 he was accepted as an aviation cadet and successfully completed the airplane and single-engine course, receiving his wings and commission as a second lieutenant on March 11, 1945.

In March 1946, Geier was certified by the Civil Aeronautics Administration as a flight instructor and subsequently added multiengine and instrument ratings to his commercial certificate. He received instructor ratings and taught ground school and flight training including instrument, multiengine, and aerobatic instruction. He became assistant manager of Martin Aviation and then manager of flight operations for Martin Aviation. In the late 1950s, Geier was employed by Darr Aero Tech of Marana, Arizona, where he was responsible for 25 flight instructors and 75 to 100 Air Force and NATO flight students under contract with the Air Force.

Accepting employment with the Civil Aeronautics Administration in 1957, Geier was first assigned to Fresno, California. While there he qualified for his ATP certificate. In January 1959 he was assigned to the Safety Office at Billings, Montana, and was later promoted to the position of supervising inspector. Subsequent to his Billings assignments, Geier served CAA offices in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and Kansas City, Missouri. In 1972 he was promoted and assigned to the Washington headquarters of the FAA and in 1975 became chief of the General Aviation and Commercial Division. He held this position until his retirement from the FAA.

Geier has received Outstanding Awards and Distinguished Career Service Award from the FAA and numerous citations from the aviation community. He has served as a member of the Board of Directors of the National Aeronautics Association and as a

director of the Center for Aviation Safety for Embry Riddle Aeronautical University. He is a member of the Washington Hangar of the Quiet Birdman. He has been named an Honorary Thunderbird, an Honorary Blue Angel, and an Honorary Snowbird, the only person to be so honored by all three demonstration teams.

Geier holds an ATP certificate with airplane single and multiengine land, rotorcraft-helicopter and Douglas DC-3 ratings. He holds a current flight instructor certificate with airplane single and multiengine land, airplane-instrument and rotorcraft-helicopter ratings. He holds a mechanic certificate with airframe and powerplant ratings and a ground instructor certificate with advanced and instrument ratings. He has logged over 9,000 flight hours in all types of aircraft from the Piper J-3 Cub to various business jets.

Since retirement, Geier has been a consultant to AOPA, the International Council of Aircraft Owner and Pilot Associations, the International Council of Air Shows, the National Agricultural Aviation Association, the EAA, the Soaring Society of America, consultant to the president/CEO of Southwest Airlines, and other individuals and organizations. He has held his present position with the National Association of Flight Instructors since May 1986.



BARLOW TO CONDUCT FAA SESSION



The Northwest Mountain Region of the Federal Aviation Administration, Seattle, will conduct an "FAA Availability Session" on Friday afternoon, February 19, at the Montana Aviation Conference. Chairing the session will be Wayne J. Barlow, Region director.

Barlow was named NW Region director in 1985. His previous positions have included director of the FAA's Great Lakes Region in Chicago, deputy director of the Northwest Mountain region, and various technical and management positions in four of the FAA's nine regions. He has 32 years of military and civilian federal service, including 27 years with the FAA.

Barlow is a graduate of Weber State College in Ogden, Utah. He is an Associate Fellow in the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics and holds a private pilot's license.

MOVING???

Each time a newsletter must be returned to us because of a wrong address, we pay the post office 25¢. Returning charts and directories costs us even more. If you are moving, please take a little time to fill out the form below and mail it to us. It'll save both time and money!

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NEW ADDRESS _____

NEW PHONE NUMBER _____

COLLINS TO ADDRESS AG OPERATORS



Harold M. Collins, executive director of the National Agricultural Aviation Association (NAAA), will address Montana's ag operators during the Montana Aviation Conference in Billings. Collins' topic will be, "NAAA's Workplan for 1988 and the Future."

Collins also serves as executive director of the National Agricultural Aviation Research and Education Foundation (NAAREF) as well as editor and publisher of *Agricultural Aviation* magazine, the official publication of NAAA.

Following his release from active duty in the U.S. Air Force in 1955, Collins completed studies at Rutgers University and began his career in agriculture as a research biologist for CalSpray, a division of Standard Oil of California which developed and produced pesticides.

In 1959, he joined Amchem Products, Inc., as a salesman and subsequently held a variety of positions in sales and marketing for the agricultural division. Amchem manufactured pesticides, adhesives, and metalworking chemicals. In 1974, Collins moved to corporate staff dealing with regulatory affairs for all company divisions.

Collins is a member of the Pesticide Users Conference, the American Forestry Association, the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, the American Society of Association Executives, and a director of the Special Industrial Radio Service Association, Inc.

MONTANA UNICOM STATIONS

By: Jerry Burrows
Aviation Representative

Our 1988 Montana Airport Directory has gone to the printer and you should be receiving your copy soon if you ordered one with your pilot registration.

Listed below are all the unicom stations that we are aware of in Montana that will appear in the directory.

Those unicom (aeronautical advisory) stations operating on 122.8, 122.95, and 123.0 MHz are located on the airport they are serving with a fixed base operator or other airport business.

The stations (aeronautical multicom) operating on 122.9 MHz are located off the airport in law enforcement offices or private businesses.

Obviously, the stations located downtown are not going to have the firsthand information available concerning conditions of runways (snow), wind conditions, and weather information that a FBO would normally provide. Pilots should use caution and check out these airports similarly to airports with no radio at all.

All radio stations should provide service to any aircraft without discrimination.

All stations shall be impartial with respect to information concerning available ground services.

No stations shall be used for air traffic control purposes other than relaying certain messages.

Communications shall be limited to the necessities of safe and expeditious operations of private aircraft, pertaining to the conditions of runways, types of fuel available, wind conditions, weather information, dispatching, or other information. On a secondary basis, requests for ground transportation, food, or lodging may be handled.

At airports with FAA control towers or Flight Service Stations, communications pertaining to runway conditions, wind or weather conditions is not permitted when they (FAA) are in operation.

Full copies of FCC regulations covering these stations are available from the Division office upon request.

UNICOMS

FREQUENCY 122.8

Anaconda
Ashland
Brady
Big Timber
Canyon Ferry
Chester
Chinook (Municipal)
Chinook (Hebbleman)
Choteau
Circle
Conrad
Culbertson
Cut Bank
Del Bonita
Dillon
Ennis (Big Sky)
Forsyth
Fort Benton
Nine Quarter Circle
Gardiner
Geraldine
Glasgow Int'l.
Glendive
Hamilton
Hardin
Havre (City/County)
Havre (Sands)
Kalispell (City)
Laurel

Libby
Malta
Miles City (Sun Cr.)
Polson
Poplar
Roundup
Sand Springs
Scobey
Shelby
Sidney
Stanford
Stevensville
Sweetgrass
Townsend
Valier
West Yellowstone
Wolf Point
Whitehall

Fortine
Fort Smith
Harlowton
Harlem
Jackson
Jordan
Ox Bow
Phillipsburg
Plentywood
Red Lodge
Seeley Lake
Seeley Lake (Seaplane)
Three Forks
Wilsall

FREQUENCY 122.95

Great Falls
Helena
Missoula
Billings

FREQUENCY 122.9

Baker
Big Sandy
Bridger
Broadus
Browning
Columbus
Deer Lodge
Eureka
Fairfield

FREQUENCY 123.0

Bozeman
Butte
Glasgow VIP
Kalispell (GPI)
Lewistown
Livingston
Miles City

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE MONTANA AVIATION CONFERENCE

(Please remember this is a tentative schedule—some sessions and times may yet be shifted)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Evening
Ag Operators Dinner

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Morning

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|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 7:30 Ag Operators Seminar | |
| 10:00 Mechanics Seminar | |
| 10:30 Concurrent Sessions | |
| 11:15 Fueling Safety | Ag Operators Insurance |
| Handling Techniques | |
| Montana Weather | |

Luncheon

- 11:30 Speaker: Robert L. Donahue, Associate Administrator for Airports, FAA, Washington, D.C. — Special Recognition Luncheon

Afternoon

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|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1:30 Ag Operators Seminar | |
| 2:30 MAMA Business Meeting | |
| 3:30 Mechanics Seminar | |
| 1:30 Concurrent Sessions: | |
| 4:15 Mountain Flying | Montana Military Activity |
| Fueling Safety | Flight Instruction |
| Flying in Canada | Trends in Avionics |
| Air Ambulance | Thunderstorms |
| Medicine | TCAs and Flight |
| Insurance | Following |
| Airport Pay | Search and Rescue |
| Telephones | Camping/Oshkosh |

Evening

- 7:30 Dr. Jerald Cockrell

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Morning

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|---|-----------------|
| 8:00 Mechanics Seminar | |
| 8:00 Aviation Education Symposium | |
| 8:00 Flying Friends Seminar for Non-Pilots — Dr. Cockrell | |
| 8:30 Aeronautics Board Listening Session | |
| 8:30 Concurrent Sessions | |
| 11:15 Maintenance on Small Airports | National Issues |
| Aviation History | Soaring |
| Flight Instruction | Insurance |
| 9:15 MAMA Tour of Airport Burn Pit | Airline Careers |

Luncheon

- 11:30 Free to Conference Registrants
In the Exhibit Area—Door Prizes

Afternoon

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|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1:30 FAA Availability Session | |
| 1:30 Aviation Education Symposium | |
| 3:30 MATA Business Meeting | |
| 3:45 MAMA Meeting with Donahue | |
| 2:45 Concurrent Sessions: | |
| 4:30 Montana Weather | Survival Techniques |
| Accident Prevention | Skydiving |
| Handling Techniques | Flying in Canada |
| Air Ambulance | TCAs and Flight |
| Military Activity | Following |

Evening

- 4:00 Hospitality hour in exhibit area, hosted by the exhibitors
- 6:00

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Morning

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 8:00 Mechanics Seminar | |
| 8:00 Aviation Education Symposium | |
| 8:00 Flying Farmers Business Meeting | |
| 8:00 MAAA Business Meeting | |
| 8:00 EAA Business Meeting | |
| 9:00 MPA Business Meeting | |
| 9:00 Aviation Program for Youngsters | |
| 9:30 Concurrent Sessions: | |
| 11:30 Soaring | Underground Storage |
| Survival Techniques | Trends in Avionics |
| Search and Rescue | Accident Prevention |
| National Issues | TCAs and Flight Following |

Luncheon

- 11:30 Speaker: Dan Todd, Vice President for Government and Technical Affairs, AOPA — Awards Luncheon

Afternoon

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|---|---------------------|
| 2:15 99s Business Meeting | |
| 2:15 Aerospace Workshop Directors Meeting | |
| 2:15 Concurrent Sessions: | |
| 4:00 Mountain Flying | Aviation Medicine |
| Montana Weather | Handling Techniques |
| Air Ambulance | Flying in Canada |
| Camping/Oshkosh | Airline Careers |
| Skydiving | Aviation History |
| | Flight Instruction |

Evening

- 6:00 No-Host Hospitality Hour
- 7:00 Banquet Speakers: Dick Rutan/Jeana Yeager, Voyager Crew

NOTE: Due to scheduling conflicts, Dr. Cockrell will not be able to be with us on Saturday. He will conduct an open session on Thursday evening and the "Flying Friends" seminar on Friday morning. Note that luncheon speakers have been changed.

Conference - Continued...

Meal tickets must be purchased 24 hours in advance. Tickets for the Saturday night banquet must be purchased before February 15—NO TICKETS FOR THE SATURDAY BANQUET WILL BE SOLD AT THE CONFERENCE. Those wishing to attend the kick-off luncheon must preregister so that the Committee will have a count for the hotel.

Friday will feature a luncheon, free to registrants, to be held in the exhibit area. While the luncheon is free, it is necessary to register to obtain your ticket. No one will be admitted to the exhibit area luncheon without presentation of a ticket. Thousands of dollars worth of door prizes will be given away during this luncheon. Coffee breaks and a Friday evening hospitality hour will also be held in the exhibit area. Tickets for the hospitality hour will also be included in the registration packet.

Rental cars can be obtained by calling American International Car Rental of Billings at 406-252-5352. They have offered special rates for Conference participants.

Call the Holiday at 248-7701 for room reservations. A registration form and tentative schedule are included elsewhere in this issue.

See you in Billings!



Missoula Radar Approved by Congress

The federal funding bill recently signed by President Reagan includes funding for an airport surveillance radar system at Missoula International Airport. According to Russell R. Pankey, Director of Airports, Missoula, this "will have tremendous effect on the future operations of Missoula International Airport."

Final details of the system, including installation dates, final costs, etc., are yet to be finalized.

Pankey stated, "On behalf of the Missoula County Airport Authority and all tenants of Missoula International Airport, we would like to publicly thank Senator Max Baucus and Representative Pat Williams as well as all other individuals who helped secure an airport surveillance radar system for Missoula International Airport."

MONTANA AVIATION CONFERENCE — FEBRUARY 17 - 20, 1988

Mail to:

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

Name(s) of Participant(s) _____
(to be printed on name tag) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Organization Affiliation (for name tag) _____

PLEASE MAKE THE FOLLOWING RESERVATIONS (tickets for the Saturday evening banquet must be purchased in advance—registration fees and other meals may be reserved but paid upon arrival):

Registration fee	_____	@ 25	_____	@ \$35	Enclosed: Total	\$ _____
Thursday Luncheon	_____	@ \$10			Total	_____
Friday Luncheon	_____	FREE!!!			Total	—0—
Saturday Luncheon	_____	@ \$9			Total	_____
Saturday Banquet	_____	@ \$25 (\$30 after February 1)			Total	_____
Total Enclosed						\$ _____

Montana Flying Magazine To Be Published

Two Montana pilots, Lance J. Edwards and James R. Sheffield, both of Libby, have announced the formation of SMR Publishing, a partnership created to publish *Big Sky Airways, The Magazine of Montana Flying*.

The magazine will be published quarterly, beginning with the spring 1988 issue.

The publication will feature coverage of all aviation activities in Montana. Highlights will focus on recreational flying, legislative and regulatory actions affecting Montana aviation, airports and their services, activities of state aviation organizations, and aviation history.

Lance Edwards has been active in aviation organizations for over twenty years. He is currently the state Wing Commander of the CAP and is a past president of the Missoula Hangar of the MPA. He is a member of other national organizations, served in the Montana Air National Guard, and is a graduate of the University of Montana School of Business.

James Sheffield is chief of staff for the Montana CAP. He has over fifteen years of service to aviation organizations including memberships in EAA and the Air Force Association. He attended the University of Oregon in business administration and served six years in the U.S. Navy, including over a year in Vietnam as a combat corpsman attached to the Marine Corps.

SMR Publishing can be contacted at P.O. Box 1261 in Libby.

All Pilots

All ELT transmissions are now reported to Search and Rescue by satellites.

Before start-up and after shut-down, tune your aircraft receiver to 121.5—your ELT may be transmitting.

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